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BRAȘOV**

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CLASA A IX-A - SECȚIUNEA A

Integrated skills

- Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii.
- Se acordă zece puncte din oficiu.
- Timpul de lucru efectiv este de 90 de minute.

I. You will see a fragment from a movie about a young boy called Nikolas. For questions 1-5, choose the best answer, A, B, C or D. 10 points

1. What does Nikolas' mother mean by her saying?

- A) Success is easy if you believe strongly enough.
- B) Belief alone is enough to achieve anything.
- C) Even though belief is not enough, it is the first step forward.
- D) Advice from parents is never to be overlooked.

2. On their way to answer the King's summons, what does Nikolas' father reveal?

- A) That he doesn't think much about the King.
- B) That he also believes Miika can learn to speak.
- C) That he knew about the summons all along.
- D) That he is not satisfied with his life.

3. When the King says "You are the hardiest men and women in the land", *hardest* means:

- A) most resilient
- B) most intelligent
- C) wealthiest
- D) least educated

4. What does the King promise to those who will restore hope?

- A) better schooling
- B) fairer laws
- C) better housing
- D) a material recompense

5. When the father says "He lives in the clouds, this one", what does he mean?

- A) Nikolas is physically unwell.
- B) Nikolas is hiding something.
- C) Nikolas is lost and confused.
- D) Nikolas is unrealistic or dreamy.

II. A national organization is searching for young *Guardians of the Christmas Spirit*—ambassadors of joy, kindness, and hope. In **180-200 words, write a **letter of application** in which you express your interest in the role, reflect on what Christmas means to you, and explain how you would help keep its spirit alive in today's world. 40 points**